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SUBJ: VISIT OF COSTA GOMES

REF: LISBON 4420 AND LISBON 4428

1. FOLLOWING JOURNALISTS ARE ACCOMPANYING PRESIDENT COSTA GOMES ON HIS VISIT TO U.S. THEY ARE TRAVELLING IN SAME AIRCRAFT.

- (1) JOSE JUDICE, EMISSORA NACIONAL (NATIONAL RADIO)
- (2) JULIO JOSE DE PINHO E VIDRO DO CARMO (RADIOCLUBE PORTUGUES)
- (3) ARTUR ALBARRA (RADIO RENASCENCA)
- (4) JOAO PAULO DINIZ (EMISSORES ASSOCIADOS)
- (5) MANUEL LUZ RODRIGUES (DIARIO DE NOTICIAS)
- (6) JORGE NUNO DA SILVA FEIO (O SEculo)
- (7) MARIO ALEXANDRE GOMES (A CAPITAL)
- (8) AFONSO EMILIO PRACA (REPUBLICA)
- (9) DINIS DE ABREU (DIARIO POPULAR)
- (10) FERNANDO MARIA COSTA DUARTE ULRICH (EXPRESSO)
- (11) JOSE ANTONIO DA SILVA TAVARES (COMERCIO DO PORTO)
- (12) ARMANDO PEREIRA DA SILVA (DIARIO DE LISBOA)
- (13) LUISA RIBEIRO (SEMPRE FIXE)

2. PRESS WILL BE SHEPHERDED BY DR. CARLOS TEIXEIRA DA MOTA, DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES IN THE MINISTRY
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OF MASS COMMUNICATIONS, AND HIS DEPUTY, DR. JOAO PALMEIRO.

THIS IS FIRST VISIT TO U.S. FOR BOTH OF THEM AND FOR
MANY IF NOT MOST OF THE CORRESPONDENTS. PORTUGUESE
JOURNALISTS ARE EXCEPTIONALLY THIN-SKINNED. SOME ARE STILL
SMARTING FROM PRESIMED SLIGHTS IN THE AZORES WHEN THEY
COVERED NIXON-SPINOLA MEETING. KNOW ALL WILL BE DONE
TO ENABLE THEM TO DO THEIR JOBS IN WASHINGTON WITH LEAST
AMOUNT OF FUSS. SUGGEST USIA DESK OFFICER GAWRONSKI
TELEPHONE TEIXEIRA DA MOTA OR PALMEIRO AT THEIR HOTEL AND
OFFER TO BE OF ASSISTANCE. (PORTUGUESE EMBASSY WILL KNOW
WHERE THEY ARE STAYING). THE COURTESY WOULD BE APPRECIATED
AND IT WOULD GIVE THEM THE SENSE THAT THEY HAD SOMEONE
TO TURN TO IN AN UNFAMILIAR SITUATION.
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